

The Oklahoma Veterinary Medical Association has partnered with the CareerTech Testing Center to offer a veterinary assistant certification tailored for working individuals in the field to complete at their own pace.

The OVMA Veterinary Assistants Program's goals are to help veterinary practices spend less time training new employees and to help make sure those employees have the skills needed.

- ✓ Increase the levels of professionalism and customer service.
- ✓ Encourage a culture of teamwork.
- ✓ Increase the knowledge of animal care.
- ✓ Increase the knowledge of proper handling techniques.

How the program works

- ✓ Complete the application form by one of the application deadlines: Dec. 1 or May 1.
- ✓ Complete 100 hours of supervised training using a clinical skills checklist to guide the training.
- ✓ Receive a test authorization email to test at one of the approved CTTC test sites during the designated testing windows: Jan. 2-31 or June 1-30.
- ✓ Receive the program certificate after passing the certification exam.
- ✓ Maintain certification through a renewal fee & completing 5 hours of CE each year

To start the process, please visit the program's website at

https://okvma.org/veterinary-assistants-program/.

Once you are ready to test, please visit the CareerTech Testing Center's website for a list of designated test sites at

https://www.okcareertech.org/educators/ assessments-and-testing/health-certificationproject-hcp/veterinary-assistant.

